

# THE STORY OF A LOVE BEHIND A THRONE

## GRAUSTARK

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said what you have, or that I should have told you what I have. I knew you loved me or you would not have come to me," she said softly.

"You would have been selfish enough to enjoy that knowledge without giving joy in return. I see. What else could you have done? A princess! Oh, I would to God you were Miss Guggenlocker, the woman I sought!"

"Amn to that!" she said. "Can I trust you never to renew this subject? We have each learned what had better be left unlearned. You understand my position. Surely you will be good enough to look upon me ever afterward as a princess and forget that I have been a woman unwittingly. I ask you, for your own sake and my own, to refrain from a renewal of this unhappy subject. You can see how hopeless it is for both of us. I have said much to you that I trust you will cherish as coming from a woman who could not have helped herself and who has given you the power to undo her with a single word. I know you will always be the brave, true man my heart has told me you are. You will let the beginning be the end."

The appeal was so earnest, so noble that honor swelled in his heart and came from his lips in this promise: "You may trust me, Your Highness. Your secret is worth a thousand-fold more than mine. It is sacred with me. The day of my life has ended, but the happiness of knowing the truth will never die. I shall remember that you love me—when you do—and I shall never forget to love you. I will be the end."

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sovereign who would, if she could, be a woman.

Almost from the first the two Americans had noted a veiled dread that seemed to hang over the whole kingdom. One evening, when Count Harkness was calling on them he broached the subject of his own accord and they soon drew the following story from him: "Fifteen years ago Prince Gankook of this principality—the father of our princess—became involved over the depredations of the Axphal soldiers who patrolled our border on the north. He demanded restitution for the devastation they had created, but was refused. Our army was better equipped but not so hardy. For several months the fighting in the north was in our favor, but the result was that our forces were finally driven back to Edelweiss, hacked and battered by the fierce thousands that came over the border. The nation was staggered by the shock, for such an attack had not been considered possible. We had been too confident. Our soldiers were sick and worn by six months of hard fighting, and the men of Edelweiss—the merchants, the laborers and the nobility itself—few to arms in defense of the city.

"For over a month we fought, hundreds of our best and bravest citizens going down to death. They at last began a bombardment of the city. One day you can see the marks on nearly every house in Edelweiss. Hundreds of graves in the valley to the south attest the terrors of that siege. The castle was stormed and Prince Gankook, with many of the chief men of the land, fell death. The Prince was

### LORRY AND THE PRINCESS



the royal girl he had saved, and daily told more and more the hopelessness of his adoration. The only circumstance that tended to lighten his heart was his growing certainty that this love of his was shared to a greater or less extent by the Princess herself.

He often looked longingly at Anguish, who was making violent and unforbidden love to Countess Dagmar, Princess Yette's favorite maid of honor.

One day in sheer desperation he said to Yette:

"I can be silent no longer. I must say what I came over here to say, and then you can go back to your throne and your royal reserve, and I can go back to the land from which you drew me. I came because I love you. Is not that enough to drag a man to the end of the world? I came to marry you if I could, for you were Miss Guggenlocker to me. Then you were within my reach, but not now! I can only love a princess!"

He stopped beside her, had dropped to the couch beside him, her drooping face turned appealingly to his, her fingers clasping his hands fiercely.

"I forbid you to continue—I forbid you to hear! I, too, have thought and dreamed of you, and I have prayed that you might come. But you must not tell me that you love me—no! no!"

"I only want to know that you love me," he whispered.

"Do you think I can tell you the truth?" she cried. "I do not love you!"

Before he had fairly grasped the importance of the contradictory sentence she left his side and stood in the window, her breast heaving and her face flaming.

"Then I am to believe you do," he groaned, after a moment. "I find a princess and lose a woman!"

"I did not intend that you should have

## SEWING MACHINE IS SENT FOR MRS. BEATRICE GORDON.

Evening World Readers Continue to Contribute to the Assistance of Woman in Distress.

BY HARRIET HUBBARD AYER.

I never made an appeal to the readers of The Evening World in behalf of an unfortunate woman or child that was not responded to most generously.

I knew perfectly well when I begged for a sewing-machine for poor little Mrs. Gordon I should get one.

My faith in Evening World readers is large; but isn't it justified?

For I have the sewing machine!

I might have had two, for two have been offered to her.

I print the letter received from the lady who first wrote me offering a machine.

Mrs. Gordon will now be able to earn enough money to support herself, and the sewing machine will be a good thing for her humble home.

On behalf of Mrs. Gordon I wish to thank the kind friends who have written and offered to be of assistance to her and her child, and the friends who have contributed to the fund for the mother and children.

It is only two weeks ago that Beatrice Gordon wrote me the following letter which I have quoted from in telling the story of her destitution.

At that time she said she had five cents in her pocketbook and half a loaf of bread between me and my baby and starvation.

I was afraid to eat the bread for fear the baby will suffer, and I dare not spend the five cents in any way.

Today Mrs. Gordon has enough money, thanks to you, dear Evening World friends, to tide her over several weeks, during which time she will certainly have work and begin to be earning.

Arrangements are now being made to secure her a comfortable room, so that she will have a proper and hygienic place to work in.

For fourteen years, and wisely since assuming full power. For three years she has been a ruler, and she has been able to meet the shadow that is descending upon the city.

"And what is the alternative in case the indemnity is not paid?" asked Lorry, breathlessly, for he saw something bright in the approaching calamity.

"The cessation of all that part of our life which has been so dear to us, including fourteen towns, all of our mines and our most productive farming and grazing lands."

"Will you not rule save a small part of the world principally will be a tragedy and a loss. This city and town will be the south of a city about 150 miles long."

Our minister of finance, Gascon, will be able to produce ten million guineas at the stated time—far from enough. This amount has been sucked from the pockets of the people, and has been hoarded for the freedom day. Try as we would, it has been impossible to raise the full sum. The people have been bled and have responded nobly, sacrificing everything to meet the treaty terms honorably, but the strain has been too great."

The Count was too much overcome to continue, and, a few minutes later, departed.

After he had gone the Americans looked long and thoughtfully at each other, each feeling a respect for the grim old gentleman that they had never felt for man before.

"So they are in a devil of a shape!" mused Anguish. "I tell you, Greff, never knew anything like this. And I feel so badly as goes the trouble that hangs over that girl and her people. A week ago I wouldn't have cared a rap for Graustark, but to-night I feel like weeping for her."

"There seems to be no help for her, either," said Lorry, reflectively.

"Graustark, you mean?"

"Yes," meant the other, whose course—who else demanded the other, who certainly had not meant Graustark, who believed, confounding you selfish soul, you'd like to see the nation, the crown and everything else taken away from this helpless, harassed, and then you'd have a chance!"

Anguish, pacing the floor, half angrily, half encouragingly.

"Don't say that, Harry, don't say that. Don't accuse me of it, for I'll

be killed by a lion.

Body of Californian Partly Eaten When Found.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Nov. 11.—Frank Cook, a carpenter, was killed and partly eaten by a mountain lion at Escondido, in Lower California. His body was taken to his home to-day.

Two hunters who found the corpse killed the lion.

DEATH OF HUGH KELLY.

Member of Fire Patrol Succumbs to Heart Disease.

Hugh Kelly, for many years a member of Fire Patrol No. 2, on West Thirtieth street, died of heart disease at his home, 110 West Thirtieth street, at 11 o'clock to-day. He was 51 years of age and had been suffering from heart disease for some time.

Prison's Police Chief Dead.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 11.—Chief of Police William P. Sullivan, Jr., died early to-day. He had been confined to his bed for several weeks by a combination of diseases said to have been aggravated by mental worry and close application to duty during the recent strike.

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